



EE5110 Segment 3

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a) Calculus of variations

The input signal is :

$$u = -\frac{a}{2}y + \frac{\dot{y}}{2}$$

The function $J(y, u)$ changes to:

$$\begin{aligned} J(y) &= \int_0^\infty [y^2 + (-\frac{a}{2}y + \frac{\dot{y}}{2})^2] dt \\ &= \int_0^\infty [(1 + \frac{a^2}{4})y^2 + \frac{1}{4}\dot{y}^2] dt - \frac{a}{2} \int_0^\infty y\dot{y} dt \end{aligned}$$

\therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty y\dot{y} dt &= y^2|_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty y\dot{y} dt \\ \int_0^\infty y\dot{y} dt &= \frac{1}{2}[y^2(\infty) - y^2(0)] \end{aligned}$$

\therefore

$$J(y) = \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)y^2 + \frac{1}{4}\dot{y}^2] dt - \frac{a}{4}y^2(\infty) + \frac{a}{4}c^2$$

Let $z(t)$ denote any function of t with the property that $J(z)$ exists. Take ε to be a

$$J(y_0 + \varepsilon z) = \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)(y_0 + \varepsilon z)^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\dot{y}_0 + \varepsilon \dot{z})^2] dt - \frac{a}{4}y^2(\infty) + \frac{a}{4}c^2$$

The $J(y_0 + \varepsilon z)$ must have an absolute minimum at $\varepsilon = 0$

$$\frac{d}{d\varepsilon} J(y_0 + \varepsilon z)|_{\varepsilon=0} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} J(y_0 + \varepsilon z) &= \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)y_0^2 + \frac{1}{4}\dot{y}_0^2] dt + 2\varepsilon \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)y_0 z + \frac{a^2}{4}\dot{y}_0 \dot{z}] dt \\ &\quad + \varepsilon^2 \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)z^2 + \frac{a^2}{4}\dot{z}^2] dt - \frac{a^2}{4}y^2(\infty) + \frac{a^2}{4}c^2 \end{aligned}$$

We see then that the variational condition derived is :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)y_0^2 + \frac{1}{4}\dot{y}_0^2] dt &= 0 \\ 2\varepsilon \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)y_0 z + \frac{a^2}{4}\dot{y}_0 \dot{z}] dt &= 0 \\ \int_0^\infty [(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1)z^2 + \frac{a^2}{4}\dot{z}^2] dt - \frac{a^2}{4}y^2(\infty) + \frac{a^2}{4}c^2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since $y_0 + \varepsilon z$ is an admissible function satisfies the initial condition :

$$y_0(0) + \varepsilon z(0) = c$$

We see that $z(0) = 0$.

Since the left – hand side must be zero for all admissible z , we suspect that

$$\left(\frac{a^2}{4} + 1\right)y_0 - \frac{1}{4}\ddot{y}_0 = 0$$

First, we use T to replace ∞ , $\dot{y}_0(T) = 0$. And we obtain no condition on $\dot{y}_0(0)$. We

$$y_0(0) = c, \dot{y}_0(T) = 0$$

The general solution of the differential equation is :

$$y = c_1 e^{\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot t} + c_2 e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot t}$$

Using the boundary conditions, we have the two equations to determine the coefficients

$$c = c_1 + c_2$$

$$0 = c_1 e^{\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T} - c_2 e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T}$$

Solving, we obtain the expression :

$$y_o(t) = c \left(\frac{e^{\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T)} + e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T)}}{e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T} + e^{\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T}} \right) = c \frac{\cosh(\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T))}{\cosh(\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T)}$$

Let $T \rightarrow \infty$, We have

$$y_o(t) = c \left(\frac{e^{\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T)} + e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T)}}{e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T} + e^{\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T}} \right) = c \left(\frac{e^{\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-2T)} + e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot t}}{e^{-2\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T} + 1} \right)$$

$$\dot{y}_o(t) = c\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot \left(\frac{e^{\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T)} - e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-T)}}{e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T} + e^{\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T}} \right) = c\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot \left(\frac{e^{\sqrt{4+a^2}(t-2T)} - e^{-\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot t}}{e^{-2\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot T} + 1} \right)$$

$$\dot{y}_o = -\sqrt{4+a^2} \cdot y_o(t)$$

So we have the control laws

$$u(t) = -\frac{a}{2}y(t) + \frac{1}{2}\dot{y}(t) = -\frac{1}{2}(a + \sqrt{4+a^2})y(t)$$

b) Dynamic programming

Optimal Value function :

$$V(c, T) = \min_y J(y)$$

$$J(y) = \int_0^\Delta + \int_\Delta^T = (c^2 + u^2)\Delta + V(c + (ac + 2u)\Delta, T - \Delta) + O(\Delta^2)$$

We can use Taylor series to relate $V(c + (ac + 2u)\Delta, T - \Delta)$ with $V(c, T)$, $J(y)$ with

$$V(c, T) = \min_u [(c^2 + u^2)\Delta + V(c, T) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial c}(ac + 2u)\Delta - \frac{\partial V}{\partial T}\Delta + O(\Delta^2)]$$

Ignoring the higher order terms of Δ , we have

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial T} = \min_u [(c^2 + u^2) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial c}(ac + 2u)]$$

When $T \rightarrow \infty$, $V(c, T)$ becomes $V(c)$,

$$V(c) = \min_u [(c^2 + u^2)\Delta + V(c + (ac + 2u)\Delta)] + O(\Delta^2)$$

$$0 = \min_u [(c^2 + u^2) + \dot{V}(c)(ac + 2u)]$$

Take the derivative respect to u gives $2u + 2\dot{V}(c)a = 0$, so

$$u = -\dot{V}(c)$$

$$0 = (c^2 + (\dot{V}(c))^2) + \dot{V}(c)(ac - 2\dot{V}(c))$$

$$\dot{V}^2(c) - ac\dot{V}(c) + c^2 = 0$$

So we have two possibilities, with the condition $V(0) = 0$, we can obtain two poss

$$V(c) = \frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 4}}{2}$$

$$V(c) = \frac{a - \sqrt{a^2 + 4}}{2}$$

Since $V(c) \geq 0$, we see that $V(c) = \frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 4}}{2}$, the optimal value can be easily obtain

$$u = -\frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 4}}{2}c$$

Since $y(0) = c$, so we have $u(0) = \frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 4}}{2} y(0)$. At any time t , we will have the co

$$u(t) = -\frac{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 4}}{2} y(t)$$

Q2

We write the optimal value function as

$$V_N(c) = \min_{u_n} J_N(y, u)$$

After $u(0)$ is chosen, the new state of the system is $y(1) = 2c + au(0)$, The cost fu

$$c^2 + u^2(0) + \sum_{n=1}^N (y^2(n) + u^2(n))$$

The long term cost can be expressed as optimal value starting from $2c + au(0)$ with

$$\sum_{n=1}^N (y^2(n) + u^2(n)) = V_{N-1}(ac + 2u(0))$$

Then

$$V_N(c) = \min_{u(0)} [c^2 + u^2(0) + V_{N-1}(ac + 2u(0))]$$

For the continuous case we have $V(c, T) = c^2 r(T)$

It is reasonable to guess that

$$V_N(c) = c^2 r_N$$

$$c^2 r_N = \min_{u(0)} [c^2 + u^2(0) + (ac + 2u(0))^2 r_{N-1}]$$

The value of $u(0)$ that minimizes is readily obtained by differentiation

$$2u(0) + 2a(2a + au(0))r_{N-1} = 0$$

$$u(0) = -\frac{2acr_{N-1}}{1 + 4r_{N-1}}$$

Using this value, we obtain the recurrence relation

$$r_N = 1 + \frac{a^2 r_{N-1}}{1 + 4r_{N-1}}$$

At each time $t = k$, the input control is

$$u(k) = -\frac{2acr_{N-k-1}y(k)}{1 + 4r_{N-k-1}}$$

When $N \rightarrow \infty$, let $r = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} r_N$, then r is the positive root of the quadratic equation

$$r = \frac{(a^2 + 3) + \sqrt{(a^2 + 3)(4 + 4r^2)}}{8}$$

The control signal will change to :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} u(0) = -\frac{2acr}{1 + 4r}$$

We see that

$$V(c) = \min_{u(n)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (y^2(n) + u^2(n))$$

$$V(c) = \min_{u(0)} [c^2 + u^2(0) + V(ac + 2u(0))]$$

$$V(c) = rc^2$$

\therefore for the infinite time process, the optimal feedback controller is :

$$u(k) = -\frac{2ary(k)}{1 + 4r}$$

Q3

Assume that the lifeguard will run to $(a, 0)$, and then swim to the swimmer. The path is l/s . The optimal function can be expressed as :

$$J(a) = \min_a \left[\left(\frac{\sqrt{a^2 + 10^2}}{v_1} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{(20-a)^2 + (-10)^2}}{v_2} \right)^2 \right] = \min_a \left[\frac{a^2 + 10^2}{v_1^2} + \frac{(20-a)^2}{v_2^2} \right]$$

Take the derivative respect to a , we get

$$\frac{29a^2}{100} - 10a + 129 = 0$$

$$a = \frac{10}{0.58} = 17.24$$

So, the shortest time path is that lifeguard run to $(18.823, 0)$ and then swim to the swimmer.

$$t_{min} = \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + 10^2}}{v_1} + \frac{\sqrt{(20-a)^2 + (-20)^2}}{v_2} = 9.17s$$



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In [1]: import numpy as np
np.sqrt(17.24**2+100)/5+np.sqrt((20-17.24)**2+100)/2
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Out[1]: 9.173008873571147
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Q4

First, we can put all attractions and hotel in the xyplane and sort them by x coordinate ($i \leq j$) is the shortest closed curve which contain p_1, p_2, \dots, p_j . This path goes from $V_{n,n}$ is what we want in this topic.

Assume that the length of $V_{i,j}$ is $l(i, j)$, the distance between p_i and p_j is $\text{dist}(i, j) =$

In the path $V_{i,j}$, p_i is in the path $p_i \rightarrow p_1$, p_j is in the path $p_1 \rightarrow p_j$. Now, let's talk.

(1) $i < j - 1$

Because p_{j-1} is on the right side of p_i , so p_{j-1} is in the path $p_1 \rightarrow p_j$. Besides, p_{j-1} so it connect to p_j directly. We can get

$$l(i, j) = l(i, j-1) + \text{dist}(j-1, j)$$

(2) $i = j - 1$

In this case, p_{j-1} is p_i , so p_{j-1} is in the path $p_i \rightarrow p_1$. Any point from p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{j-2} . Assume that point is p_k ($1 \leq k \leq j-2$). We need to choose an appropriate point p_k

$$l(i, j) = \min_{1 \leq k \leq j-2} [l(k, j-1) + \text{dist}(k, j)]$$

(3) $i = j$

This only happens when $i = j = n$. In this case, p_{n-1} connect to p_n , we can get :

$$l(n, n) = l(n-1, n) + \text{dist}(n-1, n)$$

In conclusion the optimal function is :

$$l(i, j) = \begin{cases} l(i, j-1) + \text{dist}(j-1, j), & i < j-1 \\ \min_{1 \leq k \leq j-2} [l(k, j-1) + \text{dist}(k, j)], & i = j-1 \\ l(n-1, n) + \text{dist}(n-1, n), & i = j = n \end{cases}$$

This function is what we want.